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SUBJECT: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATY

REF: STATE 198648

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED IDEA THAT HEADS OF STATE/GOVERNMENT OF OAS MEMBERS MIGHT BE INVITED TO SIGNING CEREMONY WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PERMANENT SECRETARY FRANK FRANCIS. FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS, STRESS WAS LAID ON TENTATIVE CHARACTER OF PRESENT THINKING.

2. FRANCIS SAID HE WILL RAISE MATTER WITH FOREIGN MINISTER PATTERSON WHEN LATTER RETURNS TO KINGSTON ON MONDAY (AUGUST 22). PERMANENT SECRETARY SAID HE WILL HAVE SOME DIFFICULTY IN GIVING EARLY ANSWER SINCE PRIME MINISTER MANLEY PRESENTLY ABSENT ON LEAVE AND FOREIGN MINISTER PREOCCUPIED WITH JAMAICAN CHIEFS OF MISSION CONFERENCE WHICH BEING HELD IN PORT ANTONIO THIS COMING WEEK. FRANCIS SAID HE WILL TRY TO OBTAIN A READING FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON MONDAY WHICH HE CAN SHARE WITH US BEFORE HE, TOO, GOES TO PORT ANTONIO.

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3. FRANCIS ASKED WHEN CEREMONY MIGHT BE HELD. HE POINTED OUT THAT PRIME MINISTER WILL BE ON LEAVE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 5 AND THEN, FOLLOWING HIS RETURN, WILL BE CAUGHT UP IN THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE RULING PEOPLE'S NATIONAL PARTY WHICH BEING HELD SEPTEMBER 8-11. IT MIGHT THUS BE HELPFUL TO FRANCIS IF WE COULD GIVE HIM GUIDANCE REGARDING THE TIMING OF THE SIGNING WHEN HE COMES TO OFFICE ON MONDAY MORNING.

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